CROYDON PHILATELIC SOCIETY:

NOTES OF THE MEETING HELD 12 November 2019.

Vice-President **Frank Simpson** opened the proceedings at 19.35 hours and welcomed **Roger Morrell** to show his **"World War 1 Salonika Campaign"** to the 12 members present.

The **Salonika Campaign** (from Thessalonika) also known as the **Macedonian Campaign**, started in the Autumn of 1915 when the allies, mainly Britain, France and Russia, but including Italy and Greece, came to the help of Serbia against the attacks by Austro-Hungary, Germany and Bulgaria.

Roger showed examples of mail to and from all the participants on both sides of the conflict including Red Cross Mail to Switzerland and the Hague. There were more than 50 British Forces Post Offices in Salonica and mail from most of them were shown. Mail to and from Prisoners of War was also on display.

Throughout a selection of postcards, from Roger's collection of more than 600, were displayed including aircraft, battleships, camps, troops and donkeys which were the main means of transport.

Frank Simpson thanked **Roger** for the wonderful military history and quite amazing detail making a very fine display which was enjoyed by all present. The audience expressed its appreciation in the normal way. **Frank** thanked the tea makers and brought the meeting to a close shortly after 21.30 hours.

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